

Sinclair Broadcasting is violating its public trust by forcing member stations to air a blatantly one-sided documentary days before the election.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. We need good, objective news reporting and analysis that examines the events and civic processes in our communities so citizens can make well informed decisions. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for the bottom line and less of what we need for our democracy.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. The consolidation of media into a few huge corporations concerned mostly about profits and "shareholders" is possibly the death knell of our democracy, and the real stakeholders -- the American public. show why the license renewal process ought to be more visible and more substantive. Thank you.